



A forester of the Division of Forestry examining timber on the land of a private owner.

in general has been very well handled; it is still the most important part of the State's forestry program.

To a large extent the fire control program in North Carolina operates on a county basis. If a county chooses to contribute a certain amount of money, the State Forestry Service, using both State and Federal funds will set up and conduct the program. At the present time 87 of the State's one hundred counties are cooperating with the fire control program. The total expenditure under the program in fiscal year 1951-52 was \$1,024,000. Of this amount the Federal Government contributed \$263,055, the State contributed \$597,578, the 87 counties paid in \$145,000, and private cooperation amounted to \$18,367.